

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Smith et al.	Examiner:	Necholus Ogden, Jr.
Serial No.:	10/723,455	Group Art Unit:	1796
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Title:	Cleaning Composition for Handling Water Hardness and Methods for Manufacturing and Using		

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TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A PROVISIONAL  
DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION OVER A PENDING SECOND APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Petitioner, Ecolab Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and having its primary place of business at Ecolab Center, St. Paul, MN 55102 represents that it is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/723,455, filed on November 25, 2003 and entitled CLEANING COMPOSITION FOR HANDLING WATER HARDNESS AND METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING AND USING ("present application").

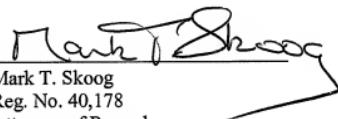
Petitioner, Ecolab Inc., hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term as shortened by any terminal disclaimer filed prior to the grant of any patent granted from pending second U.S. Patent Application Serial Nos. 11/264,820, filed on October 31, 2005, and entitled CLEANING COMPOSITION AND METHODS FOR PREPARING A CLEANING COMPOSITION, and 11/018,046, filed on December 20, 2004 and entitled CAR WASH COMPOSITION FOR HARD WATER, AND METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING AND USING ("second applications") and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the present application 10/723,455 shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to

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